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J. H. Stahl, the expert linotype oper-
ator, who recently came from Pitts-

burg, Pa., to work on The Astorian, is
at St. Mary's hospital undergoing treat-
ment for a severe stomach disorder.

The tea and sale of fancy articles
to be given by the Ladies' Guild of
Grace Church, will be held Saturday
afternoon in the Sunday school room.

John E. Lathrop, well known in this
city, is to be married at Portland on
April 17 to Miss Dorothy Mae Harris.
Mr. Lathrop is now editor and one of

the owners of the Pacific Northwest,
a Portland publication.

A native of Turkey yesterday de-
clared his intention of becoming a
citizen of the United States. The
man is Demetro Zacharia. First pa-
pers were also granted during the day
to Kaarla Antiel Wilk, a native of
Finland.

C. J. Curtis, who is up from Sea-
side, reports that the mill at the coast
town has been closed down for a few
weeks. The saw and door factory
is still being operated. The shut
down was due to the shortage of the
log supply, and the logging camp of
the company will be given an oppor-
tunity to catch up.

The two hobos who were rounded
up by the police Wednesday night
were yesterday run out of the city by
Police Captain Gammal. The police
have determined to arrest all tramps
who reach Astoria, and it is likely the
professional will soon become aware
of the fact. Tramps have begun to
arrive in large numbers at northern
towns from California points.

Thomas Russel, Jr., was yesterday
fined \$20 by Police Judge Anderson for
disorderly conduct. Russel became
intoxicated during the morning and
went to the residence section of the
hill, where he frightened school child-
ren. The young man has been in
trouble on many occasions of late
and Judge Anderson yesterday deliv-
ered to him a severe lecture.

T. J. Palmer, of Minneapolis, is vis-
iting in the city for a few days. Mr.
Palmer is the traveling representative
of the Jolly Elk, the national organ of
the order of Elks, and the Pythian Her-
ald. He is a noted billiardist and at the
Commercial Club last evening enter-
tained a large number of clubmen. Mr.
Palmer is well along in years, but his
touch is remarkable and his playing
the best ever seen at the club. He
evoked the wonder of those who watch-
ed him.

The following Washington special
was received last night by The Asto-
rian: "The house committee on mer-
chant marine and fisheries today au-
thorized a favorable report on the sen-
ate bill revising the laws regulating
steamboat inspection and supplement-
ing the 'crimping' legislation by mak-
ing it unlawful for any person to col-
lect any fee or charge from a sailor
for shipping him." The new bill will
have direct bearing on the local sit-
uation, and, being favorably reported
by the house committee, will pass at
this session.

At yesterday's session of the county
court several road matters were at-
tended to. Recently C. N. Hess and
others petitioned the court for a road
and Clerk Clinton was instructed to
notify them that, when the land over
which the road is proposed to be laid
is properly diked, the court will take
definite action. The bond of James
Irwin, supervisor of road district No.
3, was approved, and the supervisor
was instructed to construct the neces-
sary ditches to drain the Elk creek
toll road. The court adjourned be-
fore noon.

The report of the water commission
for the quarter ending March 31 was
yesterday filed in Auditor Anderson's
office by Clerk Mansell. According to
the report, the balance on hand at the
beginning of the quarter was \$13,067-
87, while the receipts for the quarter
aggregated \$7540.15. The disburse-
ments for the same period were \$14-
088.24, and the cash balance on hand
at the beginning of the present quar-
ter was \$6519.78. During the first
quarter of the year 10 water bonds
were purchased from some hard-
pressed speculator at a cost of \$10-
918.06.

The Civic Improvement League met
last night to part to meet no more for-
ever. The members of this organiza-
tion have labored hard to keep up in-
terest in its continued existence but
have concluded that such effort is of
no avail and last evening agreed to
adjourn sine die. "It is a shame that
we had to disband," said one of the
ex-members after it was all over last
night. "There is a crying need for the
league in this city, and the season for
its real usefulness is now being enter-
ed upon. However, the struggle could
not be kept up longer, so the Civic Im-

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provement League of Astoria is a thing
of the past. The simple truth of the
matter is that Astoria has not been ed-
ucated up to the need of such a society.
Its importance is not clear to the res-
idents. The town is not far enough
along to appreciate just what a civic
improvement league means. It is too
bad that the society could not continue
its work, but it is impossible to do this
because of the lack of interest shown
by the public, so we have disbanded per-
manently. The money in the treas-
ury, \$32.45, will be turned over to the
civic department of the Woman's
Club."

The Astoria wholesale family liquor
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Just about one half of the total
number of voters of the city have reg-
istered for the June and presidential
elections. At the close of business
last night the total number of regis-
trations was 738. Precinct No. 5
leads with 142, while No. 4 is second,
with 130. In No. 3 the registrations
total 122. Precincts No. 1 and No. 2
are tied, with 93; there are 84 in No.
6, and No. 7 brings up in the rear, with
74. Voters are very slow this year to
observe this essential formality, but it
is expected there will be a rush after
the democratic convention is held to-
morrow. With two tickets in the
field republicans and democrats will
get out their voting strength, and the
registration clerks will probably be
kept busy.

The gymnastic entertainment given
last night at the Commercial Club pa-
villion was quite largely attended,
many ladies being present. The hall
was nicely lighted and the entertain-
ment was even more successful than
had been anticipated. The club swing-
ing, horizontal bar and parallel bar
work showed careful training by the
class and reflected much credit on
Professor Champion. The saber and
foil bouts were new features and were
pleasing to the crowd. The boxing
contests attracted the most interest
even among the ladies. All of the bouts
were good, that between Ross Trullinger
and Chop Stockton being particu-
larly lively. The men are evenly match-
ed and last night "mixed" things for
the amusement of the audience. Pro-
fessor Thomson and Otto Utzinger went
on in a clown turn that was side-split-
ting. There were many interesting
situations during the course of the
evening, and a better pleased throng
never gathered in a gymnasium. The
performance, with entire change of
program, will be given again on Sat-
urday night. After the program is com-
pleted a dance will take place. It is
expected the capacity of the hall will
be taxed.

The democrats have not yet been
able to find a candidate for sheriff.
Most of them centered their hopes on
Police Captain Gammal, but that gen-
tleman has declined to allow his name
to be used. J. F. Bartoldus is to be
the nominee for county commissioner.
Andrew Young, incumbent, is shortly
to leave the county for a trip abroad,
it is said, and therefore could not ac-
cept the renomination. It now seems
to be unanimously agreed that a dem-
ocratic ticket will be named, the citi-
zens having apparently given way to
the wishes of the majority. The mat-
ter of the endorsement of a presiden-
tial candidate will probably cause a
division of sentiment at the conven-
tion. The majority, including such
prominent men as John H. Smith,
George Noland, A. M. Smith and oth-
er leaders, favor the candidacy of W.
R. Hearst, and, even if resolutions in-
dorsing the publisher are not adopted
at the convention, the delegation to
the state convention will be favorable
to him. The expediency of adopting
Hearst resolutions is doubted by some
of the leading democrats, who fear
such action may have the effect of
antagonizing the Parker and Olney
partisans. The democrats who have
avored the nomination of a citizen
ticket are now out with the assertion
that it's up to the straight-outs to
show what they can do for a straight
ticket, and the latter are therefore
preparing to make a vigorous cam-
paign. The republicans believe they
have a very strong ticket and are not
at all worried over the outcome of the
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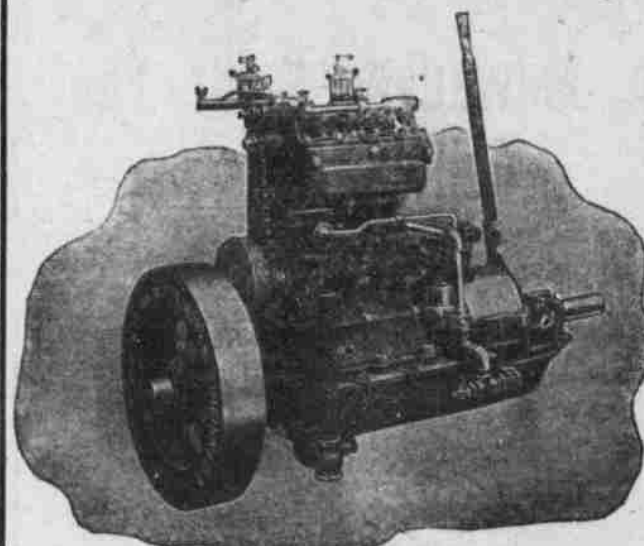
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